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Sun., Jan. 1 – Happy New Year
 Wed., Jan. 4, 7:30 p.m. - Stated Meeting
 Wed., Jan. 11, 7:00 p.m. – Fellow Craft Team Practice
 Sat., Jan. 14, 7:00 p.m. – Muskrat Lodge, Caldwell Lodge
 Mon., Jan. 16 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 Wed., Jan. 18, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting
 Wed., Jan. 25, 7:00 p.m. – Fellow Craft Team Practice

Happy New Year my brothers! It is my hope that everyone had a great New Years and as we look at 2017 we see the opportunities and challenges for our fraternity. There are Fellow Craft Degree practices listed on the Trestle Board and Wor. Bro. Jeff Ward will be contacting you for parts so, let's give a hand in our work. For more information about the activities in our lodge and the 21st. Masonic District, we have district calendars for sale for only \$3:00 each. Please see a line officer to purchase one. For any of our brothers who will be traveling to warmer climates for the winter, safe travels and we will see you in the spring.

Inspection season is upon us and if you have the ability to do so, go to the other lodges around the district and support them in their various degrees. Our degree this year is the Master Mason Degree and your support will be greatly appreciated. Please keep any of our sick and distressed bothers and their families in your prayers. I have listed the Muskrat Lodge because it is such a great event and if you have never attended, you are missing a real treat. Hope to see some of you there.

Ty Youngman, Worshipful Master



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Fri., Jan. 13, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting, L.E.O. Program

Mon., Jan. 16 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Thurs., Jan. 19, 7:00 p.m. – Fellow Craft Degree Practice, Officers

Fri., Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting, Program, "Than and Now"

Tues., Jan. 31, 7:00 p.m. – Fellow Craft Degree Practice, Officers

Fri., Feb. 3, 7:00 p.m. – Special Meeting, Inspection, Fellow Craft Degree

First of all, thank you to all who attended the William McKinley Installation of Officers in early December last year; it was a great time and great success. Also thank you to the folks at Mission Barbecue for the wonderful catering service they provided.

A new year is upon us! 2017 is definitely a year of change and celebration. We have a new president, the 300th anniversary of Freemasonry, a "Grand Master's One Day Class", a charter fishing trip in May and the "Cave Lodge" in Winchester, Virginia with Hiram Lodge. Big things happening this year!

Our Inspection is February 3rd at 7:00 p.m. and with the solid officer line in McKinley Lodge No.431, it should be great.

Hopefully, all these changes will be for the better or, we will have to do our best to adapt to the ones that are not.

May your year be blessed and your cable tow stretched to manageable lengths.

* Word of the month: Definition: A literary style that uses symbols, characters or events to suggestively represent an abstract idea.

Jeff Hager, W.M.

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Brothers! I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and have a blessed New Year. Please remember all those in need and those who may not have someone to share the New Year with.

First I would like to Thank Canton No. 60 and McKinley lodges for really taking change of the family Christmas party Friday, December 16th especially Worshipful Master Ty Youngman and Senior Warden Christian Vallance, from Canton No/ 60, for everything they did and taking the lead in making the party a real success. Thanks to all who attended especially the kids and Santa. The Christmas Morning Breakfast was a first for me with this great tradition. In prior years I had to attend Massillon’s Christmas Breakfast serving as host for the York Rite Bodies there. I really enjoyed attending as Master of Trinity Lodge.

Sincerely,
Brad J Cioca, Worshipful Master

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Wed., Jan. 11 - Nazir Grotto, Dark
Mon., Jan. 16 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Fri. thru Sun., Feb 3 thru Feb. 5 - Ohio Grotto Association
Zone Conference, Springfield Ohio

Monarch's Message

Happy New Year to all Prophets and Daughters of Nazir! Remember both bodies are dark in January and February. Hope to see everyone at the Stated Meeting in March 2017.

The officers have a question to ask all our inactive Prophets. What can we offer to make you active? Please let one of the listed officers know how we can get you active again.

Gary Gruber, P.M., Monarch


Secretary's Notes

Prophets, check your dues card. If it is not orange, your dues are now past due. Second notice will be going out on January 6th, 2017.

Please notice the mailing address for the Grotto has been changed. It is much more efficient if all Grotto business is mailed directly to the Secretary, but our meeting and dinners will still be held at the Grotto Hall on 6th Street, SW.

Information for the O.G.A. Conference is now posted on their website, <http://www.ohiogrotto.com>

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Hello Companions! I hope you all had a great Christmas. This month we will be having a few practices to get ready for our inspection in February. They were set at the Stated Meeting in December; but to late for this publication. Please look for more details and commit. We will definitely need some help.

I am sure it is probably a bit chilly outside as you are all reading this. Please be careful, stay warm and think of our companions who may need some help this winter. Don't call and ask if they need you; just show up and help. We are all very proud and would sometimes rather suffer through things than ask for help.

Larry Haines, H.P.

Twenty-first Masonic District January Inspection Schedule

Wed., Jan. 11, 7:00 p.m. – Cypress 604, M.M. Murphy, Schario
 Tues., Jan. 17, 7:00 p.m. – Clinton 47, E.A. Refresh. Hopkins, Muehlenbein
 Mon., Jan. 23, 7:00 p.m. – Star 187, F.C. Landals, Tanner
 Wed., Jan. 25, 7:00 p.m. – Wayfarer 789, M.M. Refresh. Wallick, Landals
 Tues., Jan. 31, 7:00 p.m. – Wm H. Hoover 770, E.A. Refresh. Wallick, Muehlenbein

Twenty-first Masonic District February Inspection Schedule

Fri., Feb. 3, 7:00 p.m. - Wm McKinley 431, F.C. Refresh. Landals, Muehlenbein
 Wed., Feb. 8, 7:00 p.m. – Tuscarawas 59, E.A. Refresh. Wallick, Schario
 Sat., Feb. 11, 7:00 p.m. - Caldwell 330, F.C. Hopkins, Schario
 Mon., Feb. 13, 7:00 p.m. – New Philadelphia 177, E.A. Refres. Landals, Muehlenbein
 Wed., Feb. 15, 7:00 p.m. – Ashlar 639, M.M. Murphy, Landals
 Tues., Feb. 21, 7:00 p.m. - Barberton 750, M.M. Refresh. Hopkins, Schario
 Thurs., Feb. 23, 7:00 p.m. - Summit 213, F.C. Refresh. Murphy, Tanner
 Tues., Feb. 28, 7:00 p.m. - Conrad 271, E.A. Wallick, Tanner

Twenty-first Masonic District March Inspection Schedule

Wed., Mar. 8, 7:00 p.m. - Canton 60, M.M. Hopkins, Tanner
 Mon., Mar. 13, 7:00 p.m. - Port Washington 202, M.M. Wallick, Schario

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Tues., Jan. 17, 7:45 p.m. – Stated Meeting

Greetings Companions! I pray all had a blessed Christmas and were able to attend the Masonic Christmas Morning Breakfast. It's always great to start this joyous day in the right frame of mind; remembering it's not the packages you received but the gift you were blessed with. As we start this New Year remember to keep all first responders and military people in your prayers.

As a reminder, we will be having a York Rite Day in June so anyone wanting to join any of the York Rite bodies just e-mail me at bcioca@sssnet.com and I will get you a petition to you for membership.

Sincerely,

Brad Cioca, Illustrious Master

Twenty-first Masonic District March Inspection Schedule

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Sat., Mar. 18, 7:00 p.m. - Hudson 510, E.A. Murphy, Landals

Tues., Mar. 21, 7:00 p.m. – Victory 649, E.A. Murphy, Landals

Thurs., Mar. 23, 7:00 p.m. - Trinity 710, M.M. Landals, Schario

Tues., Mar. 28, 7:00 p.m. - Stow 768, F.C. Refresh. Wallick, Tanner

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Tues., Jan. 17 8:30 p.m. – Stated Meeting
Sat., Jan. 21, 2:00 p.m. – Inspection, Order of the Temple

Greetings Knights! Hope you and your family enjoyed a very Merry Christmas and that you are ready for a Happy New Year.

We have more petitioners to get through Chapter before their Knighting so if you can help with a part in the different degrees, please do so; and let us all say a little extra prayer asking that our snowy season to not too bad and make it a point to come to our stated meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

We will be having our Inspection on Saturday, January 21st at 2:00 p.m. so get out your uniform and come and be a part of this special afternoon. We will be having a luncheon at noon and Ladies Tea as well as dinner on Inspection day. Call in dinner reservations to help with preparations. Home-made soup, sandwiches and a side for the lunch; \$7.00 per person! Swiss steak, mashed potatoes and green bean casserole, along with the extras will be served at 5:30 p.m. for dinner at \$12.00 per person.

Fraternally,
Bill Stratton, Commander



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The Canton Masonic Association is pleased to announce a new annual fundraiser, “The Perfect Ashlar Guild,” which will provide each of us the opportunity to immortalize those memories by contributing to the efforts of preserving and improving our Temple and establishing an endowment fund which will help to ensure our future for generations to come.

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A sample pledge form has been pictured in this publication and is available at the Temple; providing for contributions of cash, checks, credit cards or appreciated stocks. Knowing that not everyone can afford to contribute one lump sum, you may contribute monthly via credit card by specifying this option on the “Pledge Form.” You, or other relatives of Brethren who have passed to the Celestial Lodge, may also honor our departed Brothers by designating them on the “Pledge Form” – what a great way to be remembered.

Contributors, unless one wishes to remain anonymous, will be published in this publication and will also be displayed on the newly installed flat screen at the rear entrance. Please join us in **Immortalizing our Memories** and safeguarding the future of where it all began.

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Editorial for January, 2017



It has been mentioned on many occasions that the journey through the line of officers in a Masonic lodge is equal to a liberal arts education. Such may be true because of the vast memory work and number of tasks put upon each young officer as he progresses to the next station. Occasionally a brother is selected who possesses characteristics driving him beyond the norm to control and excel in all tasks. He takes the ranges after election and presents program after program displaying his talents for success. The brethren enjoy the excitement of a leader who has his hands on everything. The lodge seems to move forward at an alarming rate in the eyes of superiors and praise is shed on their progressive journey. The lodge appears to be in the good hands of this leader building a real future as he “micro-manages” but, is it really? In this season of installations and inspections it is important to recognize also the talents and leadership being displayed by the younger members of our organizations officer’s team. This leadership has been developed through many years of dedication while progressing through various stations of the officer’s line. Each step, each program, each task was a cog in the education of that Masonic Officer and skipping, even one of those lesions, may greatly negate or decrease his ability to lead and delegate when he finds himself in the hot seat. Being elected as Master of a Masonic Lodge is certainly indeed an honor and not to be taken lightly. Many times he may discover he must take on the role of both leadership and worker because of a weakness of personnel; but leadership is not always just doing the work yourself or keeping all the basses covered; designating others to take on their responsibility is part of the task of being Master also. The Fellow Craft must learn by not only example but also by doing. A failed Charge or Lecture may be an embarrassment at the moment but a very good lesson to exert more energy and do better. The brethren, to the best of their ability, will supply the candidates for all positions but it is important in this season of shrinking lodge numbers and fewer brethren willing or able to take on responsibility, that the older Brethren try to keep the excitement and intrigue alive towards the highest station in the Blue Lodge; the station of Worshipful Master; for like the captain of a ship, he is truly the leader but the success, future or failure of the lodge ultimately lays heavily on all the shoulders of it’s line officers equally.

Your Editor, Bob

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Masonic Temple, M.M. Degree, 1st Section
Sat., Mar. 4, 10:00 a.m. - Clinton Lodge
Massillon, M.M. Degree, 2nd Section

Greetings Brethren! The meeting Saturday morning, December 10th at Clinton Lodge for Master, Wardens and Deacons was well attended.

The type written ritual was presented by R. Wor. Bro. Hopkins. The Lodge was opened in the Entered Apprentice Degree and many questions were answered.

The next meeting well be held at Hoover Lodge on Saturday, January 14th. There will be a free will breakfast from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. and then a short meeting of M.W.&D. We will retire to the lodge for the Fellow Craft Degree. The Type Written Ritual will be there for any questions you may have.

Fraternally

Daniel J Schario, D.E.O., President

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Word of the month:
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